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HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. $HB\ 1019$ - 01/15/2002

Introduced by: The Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources at the request of the State Brand Board

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions related to livestock brands and
- 2 livestock ownership inspection.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 40-18-1.2 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SUBDIVISION to read
- 5 as follows:
- 6 "Process," to cut and wrap a livestock carcass for human consumption.
- 7 Section 2. That § 40-19-3 be amended to read as follows:
- 8 40-19-3. The branding of cattle, horses, mules, and buffalo shall be done by use of a hot iron.
- 9 A freeze brand may, however, be applied to horses and mules. A single letter, number, figure,
- bar, quarter circle, half circle, or complete circle, or a half diamond, or complete diamond placed
- on livestock are unrecordable brands under this chapter, including new split-brands. However,
- presently recorded brands are valid as long as fees are paid and there is no conflict with board
- 13 policy.
- A single letter or figure number brand is recordable for sheep. A sheep brand shall be either

a hot iron brand or shall be applied with branding paint. No more than two colors or one color

- and a hot iron brand may be recorded for sheep under one application fee. Authorized paint
- 3 colors are yellow, blue, green, black, red, or purple. No dot, bar, slash, quarter circle, circle, or
- 4 the letter "O" may be registered as a sheep brand. A brand may be recorded for the side, hip,
- 5 nose, or jaw on either the left or right side of sheep. No brand may be recorded as "across the
- 6 back" of a sheep. A sheep brand, regardless of position, is only recordable in a different color on
- 7 the same location.

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- 8 Section 3. That § 40-20-26.2 be amended to read as follows:
- 9 40-20-26.2. The provisions of § 40-20-26.1 notwithstanding, ownership of livestock with
- the seller's South Dakota recorded and healed brand or the owner's unbranded livestock may be
- transferred by means of an authorized bill of sale without a brand inspection. The bill of sale shall
- be on a form prescribed by the board. A copy of an authorized bill of sale shall be forwarded to
- 13 the board or its authorized inspecting agency and shall be postmarked within ten days of such
- ownership transfer. A violation of the forwarding requirement is a Class 2 misdemeanor. An
- authorized bill of sale does not substitute for inspection of livestock being removed from the
- ownership inspection area of South Dakota.
- An authorized bill of sale may transfer no more than five head of livestock to any one buyer.
- Multiple authorized bills of sale may not be executed to subdivide numbers of livestock greater
- than five to any one buyer. The transfer of livestock without an authorized bill of sale under this
- section or in violation of the requirements relating to the number of livestock that may be
- 21 transferred to a single buyer is a Class 1 misdemeanor.
- 22 Section 4. That § 40-20-29 be amended to read as follows:
- 23 40-20-29. It is a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person slaughtering or processing to slaughter
- or process livestock commercially within the livestock ownership inspection area to kill any

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1 livestock, until the livestock have received an ownership inspection and the certificate of such

- 2 inspection is filed and is made a part of that person's permanent records, or unless the person has
- 3 the hide of each slaughtered carcass available for inspection. An ownership brand inspection
- 4 certificate on livestock is valid for no longer than four days from the date of issue. Livestock
- 5 arriving at slaughter destination later than four days from the date indicated on the inspection
- 6 certificate shall be inspected and the fee collected. All certificates of ownership inspection shall,
- at any time upon demand, be displayed to any law enforcement officer or to the board.
- 8 Section 5. That § 40-22-6 be repealed.
- 9 40-22-6. Any person who slaughters livestock within the ownership inspection area shall
- 10 possess an ownership inspection certificate for each carcass slaughtered or have the hides
- 11 available for inspection with ears and tails attached, including all brands, tattoos, ear marks and
- 12 other marks of identification of each carcass. A violation of this section is a Class 1
- 13 misdemeanor.
- 14 Section 6. That § 40-22-12 be amended to read as follows:
- 15 40-22-12. Any person slaughtering or processing livestock outside the ownership inspection
- area which came from inside the ownership inspection area shall, upon demand of any law
- 17 enforcement officer or brand inspector, within a reasonable period of time produce a hide or
- 18 proof of ownership of the slaughtered livestock. A violation of this section is a Class 1
- 19 misdemeanor, provide names and dates of persons who delivered livestock for slaughter that may
- 20 <u>have originated from within the ownership inspection area.</u>

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 $^{400\text{H}0202}$ House commerce committee engrossed no. $^{HB}~1020$ - $^{01/15/2002}$

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce at the request of the Department of Commerce and Regulation

1	FOR AN	ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the term of retention of certain records by insurers
2	and to	o require certain delivery receipts to be forwarded to an insurer.
3	BE IT E	NACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section	on 1. That § 58-15-8.2 be amended to read as follows:
5	58-15	5-8.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state
6	for which	an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:
7	(1)	If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the
8		policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy
9		number and the date of the delivery;
10	(2)	If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return
11		receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the
12		policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of
13		mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from
14		the date of mailing.

1 The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the

- 2 insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the
- 3 producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.
- 4 Section 2. That § 58-15-59.2 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 58-15-59.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state
- 6 for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:
- 7 (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the
- 8 policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy
- 9 number and the date of the delivery;
- 10 (2) If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return
- receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the
- policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of
- mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from
- the date of mailing.
- 15 The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the
- insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the
- producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.
- Section 3. That § 58-17-11.1 be amended to read as follows:
- 19 58-17-11.1. An insurance company, nonprofit hospital service plan, medical service
- 20 corporation, <u>health maintenance organization</u>, or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in
- 21 this state for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following
- 22 methods:
- 23 (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the
- 24 policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy

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- 2 (2) If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return
 3 receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the
 4 policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of
 5 mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from
 6 the date of mailing.
 - The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.
- Section 4. That § 58-28-24.2 be amended to read as follows:
 - 58-28-24.2. An insurance company or fraternal benefit society shall issue policies in this state for which an examination period is required in accordance with one of the following methods:
 - (1) If the policy is delivered by an insurance producer, a receipt shall be signed by the policyowner acknowledging delivery of the policy. The receipt shall include the policy number and the date of the delivery;
 - (2) If the policy is delivered by mail, it shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or a certificate of mailing shall be obtained showing the date the policy was mailed to the policyowner. For policy issuances verified by a certificate of mailing, it is presumed that the policy is received by the policyowner ten days from the date of mailing.
 - The receipts and the certificates of mailing described in this section shall be retained by the insurer or insurance producer for three five years. If a producer obtains the delivery receipt, the producer shall forward the signed delivery receipt to the insurer.

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HOUSE COMMERCE COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. $HB\ 1021$ - 01/15/2002

Introduced by: The Committee on Commerce at the request of the Department of Commerce and Regulation

1	FOR AN	ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the record retention period for certain insurance
2	licens	sees and registrants.
3	BE IT E	NACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section	on 1. That § 58-30-127 be amended to read as follows:
5	58-30	0-127. No managing general agent may place business with an insurer unless there is in
6	force a w	ritten contract between the parties which sets forth the responsibilities of each party and
7	specifies	the division of common or shared responsibilities. The contract shall contain the
8	following	g minimum provisions:
9	(1)	The insurer may terminate the contract for cause upon written notice to the managing
10		general agent. The insurer may suspend the underwriting authority of the managing
11		general agent during the pendency of any dispute regarding the cause for termination;
12	(2)	The managing general agent shall render accounts to the insurer detailing all
13		transactions and remit all funds due under the contract to the insurer on not less than
14		a monthly basis;

1	(3)	All funds collected for the account of an insurer shall be neld by the managing general
2		agent in an escrow account in a bank which is a qualified United States financial
3		institution as defined in § 58-30-139. This account shall be used for all payments on
4		behalf of the insurer. The managing general agent may retain no more than three
5		months estimated claims payments and allocated loss adjustment expenses;
6	(4)	Separate records of business written by the managing general agent shall be
7		maintained. The insurer shall have access and right to copy all accounts and records
8		related to its business in a form usable by the insurer and the director shall have access
9		to all books, bank accounts, and records of the managing general agent in a form
10		usable to the director. Records shall be retained for three five years or until examined,
11		whichever is later;
12	(5)	The contract may not be assigned in whole or part by the managing general agent;
13	(6)	Appropriate underwriting guidelines including:
14		(a) The maximum annual premium volume;
15		(b) The basis of the rates to be charged;
16		(c) The types of risks which may be written;
17		(d) Maximum limits of liability;
18		(e) Applicable exclusions;
19		(f) Territorial limitations;
20		(g) Policy cancellation provisions; and
21		(h) The maximum policy period; and
22	(7)	Timely transmission of electronic claims files.
23	The in	nsurer may cancel or nonrenew any policy of insurance subject to the applicable laws
24	and regul	ations concerning the cancellation and nonrenewal of insurance policies.

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1 Section 2. That chapter 58-1 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as

- 2 follows:
- 3 Any insurer, nonprofit, surgical, dental or hospital plan, a health maintenance organization,
- 4 or any other person required to be licensed or registered under this title shall retain all books and
- 5 records that are subject to examination pursuant to chapter 58-3 for a period of not less than five
- 6 years.

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HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. HB 1024 - 01/15/2002

Introduced by: The Committee on Transportation at the request of the Department of Commerce and Regulation

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise the penalties for overweight vehicle violations. 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA: 3 Section 1. That § 32-22-55 be amended to read as follows: 32-22-55. Any person who is convicted of the offense of operating a motor vehicle upon the 5 public highways of this state with weight upon any wheel, axle, or groups of axles or upon more 6 than one thereof greater than the maximum permitted by §§ 32-22-2 to 32-22-33, inclusive, 7 32-22-47 and 32-22-48 shall be fined in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other 8 penalties now provided by law for such offense in the following amounts: 9 In an amount equal to five cents per pound for each pound of such excess or combined 10 excess weight over one thousand pounds if such excess is three thousand pounds or less. 11 In an amount equal to fifteen cents per pound for each pound of such excess or combined 12 excess weight if such excess exceeds three thousand pounds and is four thousand pounds or less.

In an amount equal to twenty-two and one-half cents per pound for each pound of such

excess or combined excess weight if such excess exceeds four thousand pounds and is five

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- 1 thousand pounds or less.
- In an amount equal to thirty-seven and one-half cents per pound for each pound of such
- 3 excess or combined excess weight if such excess is more than exceeds five thousand pounds and
- 4 is ten thousand pounds or less.
- In an amount equal to seventy-five cents per pound for each pound of such excess or
- 6 combined excess weight if such excess is more than ten thousand pounds.
- 7 The fine schedule in this section is assessed at a single rate according to the cents per pound
- 8 penalty for the highest weight violation.
- 9 Section 2. That § 32-22-56 be repealed.
- 10 32-22-56. In any case where the motor vehicle is absolutely overweight beyond ten thousand
- pounds, the pounds by which the vehicle is so overweight shall be assessed at double the
- 12 penalties prescribed in § 32-22-55.